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In re application of:

JIN-KUO HO, ET AL.

Application No. 09/388,265

Filed: September 1, 1999

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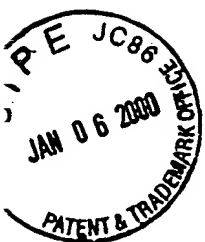
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This responds to the restriction requirement dated December 22, 1999 requiring restriction between claims 1-7 (process claims) and 8-27 (product claims). As a precautionary measure, applicants also request an extension of time, if needed and if not separately attached hereto, and authorize the Commissioner to charge the fee therefor to our deposit account in accordance with our standing authorization for such charges.

Applicants advise and herewith confirm that claims 1-7 were cancelled when this divisional application was filed on September 1, 1999. Attached hereto is a copy of applicants' transmittal letter with which this application was filed and on which the cancellation of claims 1-7 has been highlighted.

Thus, only claims 8-27 are presently pending, and they are directed to the product claims of Group I identified in the above-referenced Office Action.



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If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415-576-0200.

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